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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, this Information Disclosure Statement in connection with the above-identified application is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d).

Attached is a copy of an Office Action issued in a co-pending related U.S. application. Since all of the documents cited herein were cited in said Office Action, it is believed that the relevancy of each document cited is clear from the Office Action and their relation to the subject matter of the present invention. Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosures of these documents is believed to be required.

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A fee of \$180.00 as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is attached. It is therefore believed that the present Information Disclosure Statement complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97-8, but if additional fees are required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge the necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1281.

Respectfully submitted,

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